Mattancheri, as a precaution against air raids. This item was not anticipated at the time of the preparation of the Budget. This is required for the purchase of A. R. P. equipments such as stirrup pumps, helmets, etc., I request that the House may be pleased to sanction the small sum of Rs. 192 under "19-A-Secondary Girls-Miscellaneous".

Demand put and carried

40. Rs. 12,000 under "28—A Civil Engineering—Communications Original"

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer)*: Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 12,000 under "28-A. Civil Engineering—Communications Original". This amount is required for the opening of a road for the purpose of fecilitating the transport of timber from the Mupliyam block for the working of the Hill Paddy Scheme. If this road is not opened immediately there will be no chance of transporting the timber felled in those forests expeditiously and it will result in a great loss to Government. On account of the opening of this road it is possible to transport this timber and probably reimburse the cost of constructing this road by the sale of timber. I therefore request that the House may be pleased to sanction the allotment.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: Does it join the Kodakara-Vellikulungara Road.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer)*: At 5 miles 7 furlongs.

Demand put and carried

41. Rs. 500—under "14-5—State Loan—Contingency"

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts)*: Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 500 under "14-5—State Loan—Contingency". This amount is required for meeting the advertisement and other contingent charges in connection with the repayment of our 5 per cent loan which falls due from October 1943. I request that the House may be pleased to grant the same.

Demand put and carried

42. Rs. 4,800—under "22—Medical—Mental Hospital—Dietary charges"

Rao Sahib Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer)*: Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 4,800 under "22-Medical-Mental Hospital—Dietary Charges. This is to meet the increased cost of dietary articles. I request that the allotment may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

43. Rs. 175—under "22—Medical—Mental Hospital—Miscellaneous"

Rao Sahib Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer)*: Sir, I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 175 under "22-Medical—Mental Hospital—Miscellaneous." I request the House may be pleased to grant the same.

Damand put and carried

44. Rs. 6,750—"under "7—Excise Refunds"

Mr. Parambi Lonappan *(Commissioner of Excise)*: Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 6,750 under "7—Excise Refunds". A duty of Rs. 6,750 was collected from the Bombay Contractor for the salt lost by him at sea. Government investigated and found that his statement was correct. Government therefore ordered a refund of the amount. There is no allotment in the current year. I request that the grant may be sanctioned.

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Mr. Parambi Lonappan *(Commissioner of Excise)*: It is not the business of the Government to insure.

Demand put and carried

45. Rs. 900—under "18—Police—Postage charges "by Transfer from" 38—Miscellaneous Defence Measures—Other charges"

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: I move for a transfer of Rs. 900 under 18-Police postage charges by transfer from "38-Miscellaneous-Defence Measures-Other charges". I request that the amount may be voted.

Demand put and carried

At this stage the Hon'ble President left the chamber and Deputy President took the chair

NON-OFFICIAL BUSINESS—BILLS

(1) The Cochin Agriculturists' Relief Act (Amendment) Bill

*മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: സർ, കൊച്ചിൻ അഗ്രിക്കൾച്ചറിസ്റ്റ്സ് റിലീഫ് ആക്ടിൽ ഫസ്-ാം വകുപ്പ് ഉപവകുപ്പ് ഒന്നുപ്രകാരം ഒരു കേസ്സ് മുൻസീഫ് കോടതിയിലുണ്ടായിരുന്നു. പാട്ടബാക്കി വന്നാൽ ആ പാട്ടബാക്കിക്ക പുതിയതായി ഒരു ലക്ഷ്യം കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ, അതായതു് പാട്ടബാക്കിക്കവേണ്ടി പ്രോമിസറി നോട്ടോ പണയാധാരമൊ

*Speech not corrected by the hon'ble member.

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